

TORTURED FIFTY-ONE HOURS.

JOHN TOMS THICKED UP BY HIS WRISTS BY TWO HORRERS.

They Want His Money and They Also Want Revenge—They Get Both—A Constant Agony from Saturday Noon Until 8 P. M. Monday—Discovered by Miss Kilpatrick, who Gets a Man to Cut Him Down.

At 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, John Toms, who lives at an unoccupied house near the corner of Broadway and Broadway, was attacked by two men. They knocked him down, bound him with his wrists to a hook in the wall, so that his feet barely touched the floor. They secured \$57, and then fled. At 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon the daughter of the owner of the house discovered him hanging from the hook. He had been tortured for fifty-one hours. He was able to speak when found, and a few hours later he described his assailants to the authorities. The two men were taken to the police station and are now in custody. The man who was found with him was a man of 54 years old and a man of uniformly steady habits.

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ENGLAND DIDN'T INVITE US.

MR. BLAINE AND OTHERS INDIGNANT OVER A SNUB FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

Repeated Efforts to Secure Certain Exhibits at the Jamaica Exposition Without Giving a Direct Invitation—The Growing Tension With This Country the Cause—Reciprocity With Canada Desired Instead.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The action of the British Government in declining to endorse the efforts of the managers of the approaching exposition at Jamaica to secure the participation of the Government of the United States has aroused great indignation at the State Department and among the Senators and Representatives who have been informed of the facts in the case. Secretary Blaine has been indignant at the snub, and has expressed his indignation in a letter to the British representative, Mr. Foster, in which he has said that the British Government has been guilty of a gross snub. The British representative has replied that the British Government has been guilty of a gross snub. The British representative has replied that the British Government has been guilty of a gross snub.

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PAINT CREEK POSTMASTER SMOOTS.

He Was About to Dabble in Green Goods and Suspected Conspiracy.

RAHWAY, Jan. 21.—A well-dressed young man entered the Rahway House at noon to-day, and registered as James Vance of Jersey City. At 4:30 o'clock the Southern express arrived, and one of the passengers, a tall man, was seen to enter the Rahway House and registered as J. W. Maynor, West Virginia. He asked Proprietor Swain if Vance was there and was directed to Vance's room. A short time afterward the two men came down stairs and entered the barroom. They had a drink and then strolled out toward the rear of the house.

Vance is the leader of a bunch of men, and has been shadowed by two detectives, who followed him and Maynor to the station. The detectives asked Chief of Police Tucker to arrest the men. Tucker called Vance just as a train was moving out for New York. Vance made a jump for the train, but was caught by the detectives. Tucker took him to the station. Tucker took him to the station. Tucker took him to the station.

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MR. RHETT'S SIDE OF THE CASE.

HE DENIES THAT HE ATTEMPTED TO ABUSE THE GIRLS FROM JERSEY CITY.

He Says They Followed Him Across the Ferry and Importuned Him as He Was About to Take a Cab—Some of the Jersey City Street Girls, It is Assured, are Capable of Such Conduct.

William P. Rhett, a member of the well-known South Carolina family of that name, is looked upon in the Tombs on a charge of abusing little girls. Rhett's arrest was reported in the Sun yesterday morning. According to the story told by Detective Vall of the steamboat squad he was in the act of entering a 10-year-old girl into a cab at the Cortlandt street ferry when he was arrested. Vall said that about two weeks ago a citizen came to the river police station at Pier A, and said that a young man was in the habit of enticing little girls from Jersey City and taking them off in a cab, presumably for immoral purposes. Capt. Schmittberger detailed him to look after the case and he had kept a pretty steady watch at the Cortlandt street ferry since. On Tuesday night, he said, he was standing under the shed that faces West street when he saw a man and four little girls come out of the gates from a ferryboat and walk up to Edward Lilly, one of the night hawks who keeps his coach at the station outside the ferry house. He suspected immediately that this was the fellow he was looking for and he stepped quietly behind a carriage. The man talked with Lilly a moment and then opened the cab door and told the girls to get in. The girls ranged in age from eight to twelve years. The largest and the one that appeared to be the oldest held back.

"Come on," said one of the other girls to her, "he will give you lots of nice things." The girl refused. Then, the detective says, the man tried to coax her, but it was no use. Nearly fifteen minutes had elapsed when the man, seized by the arm and tried to drag her into the cab. At this moment one of the other night hawks saw the detective and said something in a whisper to Lilly, who said quickly: "Well, if those girls are going with you you can't have my cab."

At the same time that the cab door, then the detective stepped around to where the man was standing and seized him by the collar with one hand, while with the other he reached to catch two of the girls. The other two had run into the ferryhouse. He only succeeded in catching one. The man, the detective says, reached toward his hip pocket. Two of the night hawks seized him. Finally he consented to accompany the detective.

On the way to the police station he protested his innocence of any intention of wrong. He said he had not tried to induce the girls to go with him in the cab, and did not want to go toward his hip pocket. At the police station he said he was William P. Rhett, a clerk of 34 West Seventeenth street, and asked the Sergeant to send for his lawyer, John Abner. The girl said she was Mamie Williams, 10 years old, of Jersey City. She said Rhett had tried to induce her to go with him in the cab. She said she was with her, she said she was with her, she said she was with her. She said she was with her, she said she was with her. She said she was with her, she said she was with her.

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FORCE BILL OR WORLD'S FAIR.

Tennessee Decides to Withdraw Her Appropriation for Chicago for the Present.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 21.—The State Legislature to-day adopted a resolution declaring that no action would be taken toward making an appropriation for the representation of Tennessee at the World's Fair until the election of a committee to consider the matter.

The general sentiment was that an appropriation should be made. Soon after the Senate met to-day Mr. McKelvie of Dyer county introduced a bill to make an appropriation of \$250,000 for the representation of Tennessee at the World's Fair. The bill was then offered. Gov. Taylor, in his annual message, called attention to the Exposition, saying Tennessee could not afford to neglect this opportunity to advertise itself to the world, and that a large appropriation would be money loaned at a great interest. Gov. Taylor also transmitted certain suggestions made by the Commission and a copy of a bill which had been presented to all the States to secure uniformity of action.

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